

Please remember in your prayers

Those who died recently: **John Peter Genoe** of Westwoodhill (Requiem Mass on Thursday at 10.00am; thereafter, South Lanarkshire Crematorium), **Kathleen Bowman** of Strathmore Grove (Requiem Mass on Monday 24th May at 10.00am; thereafter, Philipshill Cemetery), **Angela Marie McMonagle** (Requiem Mass on Tuesday 25th May at 10.00am; thereafter to St Conval's Cemetery, Barrhead), Thomas Connolly, John Laird (Motherwell).

The Months Minds and Anniversaries of: Charlie O'Kane, Terence Clarke, Agnes Comiskey Clarke, Robert Davie, Mrs Annie McClure, Miss Moira McClure, Paul Coogans, Annie & Maurice McHugh, Frank & Margaret McDermott, Jim, Rose & Finlay Douglas, Fr Patrick Walsh, Harry Hunter (Birthday Remembrance).

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS

Sunday Offertory 9th May
£965.00 + GiftAid/Standing Orders £800.00

Stall	£5.00
Votives	£110.00
Sick & Retired Priests	£130.00
Flowers for the Altar	£120.00 + £400.00
SCIAF WEE BOXES	£130.00

THANK YOU for your financial support and generosity. We will be making our return of all monies received for our Sick & Retired Priests to the Diocese at the end of this month. So, if you still wish to make a donation, we will be grateful to receive it by 31st May.

Today, the Seventh Sunday of Easter, is World Communications Sunday. In normal times, we would have taken up a Second Collection to support the church in promoting the teachings of Christ and his Church in the world of today. Any financial support you are able to give for Communications Sunday will be gratefully received and used by the Church in the field of the mass media. There is a box for 'Communications' offerings. You can also simply post an offering through the Parish House in an envelope marked 'Communications'.

Mgr Millar and Fr Coyle are hoping to begin visits to our sick and housebound parishioners fairly soon. We will take a few weeks to do this, visiting only one home each per day. We will contact the sick by phone first to find out if they wish us to call with Holy Communion and we will also want to be sure that their families are happy for us to do this. The visits will be short and we will comply with all the current protocols.

LOCAL FOODBANK

Once again thank you for your remarkable generosity this month towards our local foodbank. The updated figure is £1605.00 and this has been passed to the Foodbank Coordinator at Calderwood Baptist Church. In 2021, the monthly donations have averaged £1650.00 - by any standards incredible figures and a humbling example of true Christian witness.

GARDENING CLUB

All are welcome to help with the maintenance and ongoing upgrading of our parish grounds. Come along on Saturdays at 11.00am for an hour or two.

Fr Charles will be very happy to receive donations of plants, seeds etc for the gardens as well as any other garden utensils, in good condition, which the gardeners can use on Saturday mornings.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We have Baptisms booked for almost every weekend from next week until the beginning of September. We look forward to welcoming many new members to our parish community - young members, it is true, but, with the help and example of their parents and godparents, we hope and pray they will grow to become strong in faith and active in the life of the Church in the years ahead. Please pray for all who will be baptised in the months ahead.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

During the time of the pandemic, some changes took place within our St Vincent de Paul Conference and these were confirmed recently.

Michael Goldie has become the new President of the Conference and Jim O'Hagan has stepped down from that role. Ennis Gallagher is now the Vice-President. We thank Michael and Ennis for taking on these responsibilities and we offer our grateful thanks to Jim for the years of service he has given within the Conference, particularly as President, and for the work the Conference undertook during his tenure as President.

Ray McAuslan is stepping down as well as she is moving from our parish and from East Kilbride. We thank her for her work within the Conference and wish her every blessing in her new home and parish.

There have been one or two additions to the conference in recent weeks; we thank those who have recently joined the Conference and we hope and pray that their contributions to the work of the St Vincent de Paul Society within our parish will bring many blessings to the Conference, the parish and the wider community of East Kilbride.

We thank our St Vincent de Paul Conference for the practical support and care they give to so many in our community. Thanks also to the many parishioners who support their work with their donations at Mass at the weekends.



OUR LADY of LOURDES

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PARISH CLERGY

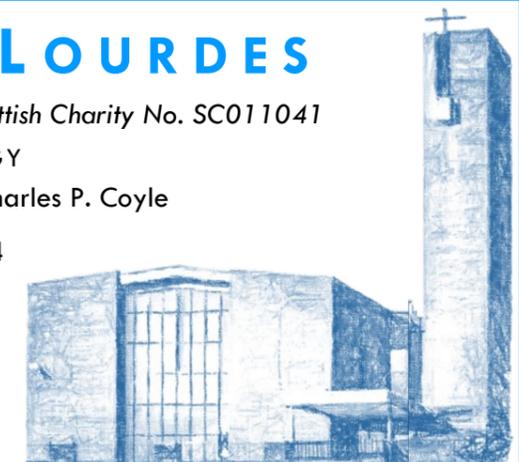
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The Seventh Sunday of Easter 16th May 2021

REMINDER

-  Sanitise hands on entry to and exit from Church
-  Wear a face covering (ideally a mask)
-  Maintain social distance of 2 metres

- ⇒ We ask you, please, to follow the guidance of the stewards when you are taking your seat in the church.
- ⇒ Please leave the church immediately after you have received Holy Communion.
- ⇒ Please adhere to the protocols set out by the government regarding 'gatherings', especially after Mass.
- ⇒ Thank you for assisting the stewards in their duties when you come to church.
- ⇒ Our capacity remains at 50 people for Mass. Children under the age of 5 are no longer part of the calculation of numbers attending.
- ⇒ There's now a limit of 50 people for Requiem Masses, Marriages and Baptisms. Families are responsible for supplying us, in advance of the ceremony, with the names and contact details of those invited to these celebrations.
- ⇒ Please remember that the church is opened 15 minutes before Mass. If you arrive earlier than that, you will need to wait until the doors are opened. Once Mass begins, the doors are closed as per the protocols established by the Bishops' Conference some time ago.

BOOKING FOR SUNDAY MASSES

- Booking on-line can be made from 6.00pm this evening and booking by phone anytime after 12noon tomorrow/Monday.
- We again ask parishioners to consider others when booking for Mass. **We recommend that parishioners book every second weekend for a Sunday Mass.**
- If you are at Mass this weekend, please wait until after Sunday if booking on-line or after Monday if booking by telephone to try to make your booking. This seems a fairer way of ensuring that a broader platform of parishioners have the opportunity to attend a Sunday Mass every second or even every third weekend.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions this week on **Friday only** between **9.30am and 9.50am** or by private arrangement with the priests.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents are welcome to make arrangements for the Baptism of their child by contacting the priests at the Parish House on 01355 224511.

When planning the Baptism of their child, we ask parents to keep the number of invited guests to around 20 people and to supply us, in advance, with names and contact phone numbers of all who will be present at the Baptism.

MARRIAGES

If you have made arrangements for your marriage to be celebrated in Our Lady of Lourdes Church in 2021, 2022 or 2023, please phone to confirm dates and times. As there have been so many changes to marriage dates over the last 18 months because of the pandemic, this might be a good time to have arrangements confirmed with us.

CAN YOU HELP OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO CAN HELP US?

We require some minor repairs to the boundary walls and we have been trying to engage someone to do this work. So far, no luck! Help!

THE SEASON OF EASTER

RCIA

The final meeting of this year's session of the RCIA programme concludes on Monday evening at 7.30. We thank God for those received into the Church at Easter in our parish - Bill Shaw and David Russell. Planning for next year will get underway soon. If you know of anyone who would like to meet to find out more about faith in Christ and life in his Church, please get in touch with Fr Charles over the coming weeks. RCIA usually begins in September and concludes around the Feast of Pentecost.

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

SUNDAY 16TH MAY (Readings: Acts 1: 15-17, 20-26; Psalm 102; 1 John 4: 11-16; John 17: 11-19)

8.15am	Morning Prayer from the Divine Office	On live-stream only
9.00am	Holy Mass for the Seventh Sunday of Easter	Booking required
11.00am	Holy Mass for the Seventh Sunday of Easter	Booking required Also on live-stream
12.30pm	First Communion Mass	Family Invitations only
6.00pm	Regina Caeli , Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Evening Prayer from the Divine Office, Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament	On live-stream only
9.30pm	Night Prayer from the Divine Office	On live-stream only

MONDAY 17TH MAY (Readings: Acts 19: 1-8; Psalm 67; John 16: 29-33)

9.00am	Morning Prayer from the Divine Office	On Live-stream only
10.00am	Holy Mass for the Seventh Week of Easter	No booking required Also on live-stream
6.00pm	Regina Caeli , Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Evening Prayer from the Divine Office, Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament	
9.30pm	Night Prayer from the Divine Office	On live-stream only

TUESDAY 18TH MAY (Readings: Acts 20: 17-27; Psalm 67; John 17: 1-11)

9.00am	Morning Prayer from the Divine Office	On Live-stream only
10.00am	Holy Mass for the Seventh Week of Easter	No booking required Also on live-stream
7.00pm	Sacrament of Baptism	
9.30pm	Night Prayer from the Divine Office	On Live-stream only

WEDNESDAY 19TH MAY (Readings: Acts 20: 28-38; Psalm 67; John 17: 11-19)

9.00am	Morning Prayer from the Divine Office	On Live-stream only
10.00am	Holy Mass for the Seventh Week of Easter	No booking required Also on live-stream
6.00pm	Regina Caeli , Evening Prayer from the Divine Office and Rosary	On Live-stream only
9.30pm	Night Prayer from the Divine Office	On live-stream only

THURSDAY 20TH MAY (Readings: Acts 22: 30; 23: 6-11; Psalm 15; John 17: 20-26)

9.00am	Morning Prayer from the Divine Office	On Live-stream only
10.00am	Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of John Genoe	Family Invitations only Also on live-stream
9.30pm	Night Prayer from the Divine Office	On Live-stream only

FRIDAY 21ST MAY (Readings: Acts 25: 13-21; Psalm 102; John 21: 15-19)

9.00am	Morning Prayer from the Divine Office	On Live-stream only
9.30am	Confessions until 9.50am	
10.00am	Holy Mass for the Seventh Week of Easter	No booking required Also on live-stream
6.00pm	Regina Caeli , Evening Prayer from the Divine Office and Rosary	On Live-stream only
9.30pm	Night Prayer from the Divine Office	On Live-stream only

SATURDAY 22ND MAY (Readings: Acts 28: 16-20, 30-31; Psalm 10; John 21: 20-25)

9.00am	Morning Prayer from the Divine Office	On Live-stream only
9.30am	Recitation of the Rosary	On Live-stream only
	NO 10am MASS TODAY	
11.00am	First Communion Mass	Family Invitations only
12.30pm	First Communion Mass	Family Invitations only
4.15pm	Evening Prayer I from the Divine Office	On Live-stream only
5.00pm	Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Pentecost	Booking required
9.30pm	Night Prayer from the Divine Office	On Live-stream only

SUNDAY 23RD MAY (Readings: Acts 1: 15-17, 20-26; Psalm 102; 1 John 4: 11-16; John 17: 11-19)

8.15am	Morning Prayer from the Divine Office	On live-stream only
9.00am	Holy Mass for the Solemnity of Pentecost	Booking required
11.00am	Holy Mass for the Solemnity of Pentecost	Booking required Also on live-stream
12.30pm	Sacrament of Baptism	Family Invitations only
6.00pm	Regina Caeli , Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Evening Prayer from the Divine Office, Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament	On live-stream only
9.30pm	Night Prayer from the Divine Office	On live-stream only

PRAYER TO OUR LADY IN THE MONTH OF MAY

by
Pope Francis

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God. In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection.

Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment.

Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Plead with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.

Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health.

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course.

To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.

SLOWLY AND CAUTIOUSLY

We are re-introducing Readers at our Sunday and Weekday Masses from this weekend. There will only be one Reader for Sundays (and also on weekdays). There may be some occasions when Readers may be unable to carry out their ministry so the Celebrant will step in when this happens.

Readers at all Masses should take their place on the sanctuary and sit behind the pulpit before Mass begins and remain there until Mass is ended.

We are also inviting the Altar Servers to resume serving at Mass. Until further notice, we will only have one Server at Mass for both Sundays and weekdays.

All the current protocols will have to be observed in order to keep everyone safe and well - the wearing of face coverings and keeping the 2 metre rule in terms of physical distancing. We also have to be mindful of keeping movement around the church to a minimum.

We ask the Sunday Readers to collect their Duty List from the table close to the Exit Door of the church when at Mass this weekend or in the coming week.

A QUIET WEEK COMING SOON!

We are planning to have a 'Quiet Week' from Monday 31st May until Saturday 5th June. This will give the stewards and technical team a wee break after what has been a quite demanding few weeks with Masses, Baptisms, First Confessions, First Communions and Confirmations.